GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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DISTRIBUTION OF ADDITIONAL COMMODITIES THROUGH PDS
RAMESHWAR DUDI

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to increase the quantity of items like wheat, rice, sugar and oil etc. distributed through fair price shops to the consumers to tackle the situation of famine in various States particularly in Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a), (b) and (c): The policy relating to allocation of foodgrains, sugar and oil to the States / UTs under PDS is uniformthrough out the country. However, to take care of the situation arising out of natural calamites, additional allocations are made to the concerned State on case to case basis.